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Dear Mr. Siciliano:

After a careful review of the provisions of this bill, the Bureau of the Budget was informed that we regarded it as a good bill not only for this Agency but also in view of the fact that it tended to make uniform many of the overseas benefits available to departments and agencies generally.

As you are aware, the Foreign Service Act of 1946, as amended, provides a unique grouping of allowances and travel authorities for the Foreign Service. In addition the Foreign Service has special home leave privileges. Under the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949, as amended, this Agency has certain allowances and travel authorities. The majority of the civilian employees of other agencies who are stationed abroad have allowances and travel authorities differing from those available to the Foreign Service and the Central Intelligence Agency.

By the nature of our operations overseas, it is necessary to conform our employees in many cases to the pattern of authorities applicable to either Foreign Service or civilian employee groups of other agencies. These differing patterns of fringe benefits not only create administrative difficulties but, in many cases, constitute a security

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hazard. Under these circumstances the changes proposed in H. R. 3527 would assist materially in reducing the security hazards attendant upon attempting to place our individuals in other civilian groups. Therefore, we strongly support the efforts to secure enactment of this legislation.

Sincerely,

Signed

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